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TOPIC Loadings and Unloadings at the Templin Railroad Station**638106**

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The following observations were made at the Templin railroad station between 30 June and 8 July 1954:

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30 June. At 0800, loading of T-43 tanks

and truck Three officers and 20 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets were observed during the loading.¹

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2 July. At 1600, unloading of artillery and infantry ammunition from 3 boxcars. The ammunition was shipped toward Vogelsang by trucks

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5 July. At 1600, unloading of 11 boxcarloads of troops, 28 trucks and 2 field kitchens. The soldiers wore red-bordered black epaulets.

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6 July. At 2000, unloading of 16 guns, presumably 122-mm field howitzers, and 6 boxcarloads of soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Truck was seen at the station.³

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8 July. At 1700, unloading of 16 AT guns, 4 rocket launchers, presumably of 300 mm, and about 20 trucks. The shipment included 4 boxcars with officers and EM.⁴

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1. Comment.

a tank unit of the 16th Gds Mech Regt of the 6th Gds Mech Div probably returned to Freienwalde upon termination of advanced combat practice firing at the Templin troop training grounds.

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Since, on 3 July, 27 trucks and 1 amphibious vehicle with 300 soldiers, presumably of the 88th Engr Regt (?) of the Second Gds Mech Army, entered Camp Vogelsang (south of 5823) from the direction of Loewenberg, it is possible that these elements were to conduct advanced combat practice firing at the Templin troop training grounds with the ammunition which arrived on 2 July.

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3. [REDACTED] Comment. On 4 July, a shipment with 6 x 122-mm field howitzers passed through the Satzborn railroad station. It came from Jueterbog and went to Templin. [REDACTED] It cannot be determined whether this shipment is the same as that in the present report. It is, however, fairly definitely believed to have been connected with the supply with new field howitzers from the USSR which started in mid-June. The field howitzers are being forwarded to the units via the ordnance shops of the group and armies.

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